

THE EVENING STAR.

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NO READING MATTER ON EVERY PAGE.

SEE OUTSIDE FOR INTERESTING TELEGRAPHIC AND OTHER MATTER.

THE CONSPIRACY TRIALS.

Proceedings This Morning.

AN IMPORTANT WITNESS.

THE COURT CLEARED.

The Court met at 10 o'clock this morning, all the members present.

Shortly after the Court had assembled Judge Advocate General Holt stated that it was necessary to recall the important witness whose testimony was taken with closed doors Saturday evening (it will be remembered), as he wished to leave the city. It would require but a short time to take this additional testimony, and he would ask that it be proceeded with at this time.

The President of the Court, Major General Hunter, accordingly directed that the Court room be cleared; and the witness referred to was again placed upon the stand. After the further examination of this witness had been concluded the doors were re-opened and the reading of the proceedings of Saturday entered upon.

FROM MOBILE.

Surrender of the Rebel Navy.—The Terms Agreed Upon.—Surrender of the Rebel Navy.—The Navy Department on Saturday received a communication from Acting Rear Admiral Thatcher, under date of May 6th, of Mobile, in which he says:

"I have the honor to inform the Department that on the night of the 4th instant I received written propositions from Commodore Eberstadt, commanding the Confederate fleet, offering the surrender to me of all the Rebel naval forces, officers, men and public property yet afloat, under his command, and not blockaded by a portion of our naval forces in the Tombigbee river, and desiring a meeting with me to arrange terms of surrender to the United States. I accordingly met Commodore Eberstadt at Citronville, a point about twenty-five miles from Mobile, and accepted his proposal on the same basis as granted to Gen. Richard Taylor by Major General Canby, the latter having taken place at the same point and time, Gen. Canby being present. Some days will elapse before all the arrangements will be completed for the reception of the Rebel fleet, officers, men, vessels and property, when for the purpose of the copies of all the correspondence and the written agreement and obligations will be officially made known to the Department."

THE FUNCTIONS OF CIVIL OFFICERS.

Major General Halleck, commanding the Military Division of the James, has issued the following order in relation to the functions of civil officers:

"HEADQUARTERS MILITARY DIVISION OF THE JAMES, RICHMOND, VA., May 19, 1865.—General Orders No. 10.—The functions of civil officers in regard to former officers of the rebel government of Virginia do not apply to clerks of record courts, sheriffs and local officers retained in office, or appointed under military order. Officers so retained or appointed derive their authority from the de facto military government, and not from their election or appointment under any former government. They are therefore directly responsible to the military power for their conduct and the proper performance of their duties. If a civil officer in this District is retained in office by military authority who has not voluntarily taken the oath of allegiance, or who does not come within the provisions of the amnesty proclamation, as soon as the proper civil officers in any county, city or town are duly elected for appointment and qualified under the restored civil government, these appointed or retained by military authority will cease to exercise the functions of their office. By order of Major General Halleck. J. C. KELTON, A. A. G."

MAJOR GENERAL SHERIDAN.

This distinguished officer left last evening for New York, en route to his new command, which includes all the armies west of the Mississippi. General Canby's command has been enlarged, and the department of which General Banks had command submerged within it, thus relieving General Banks, who reports here to the Adjutant General.

SHERIDAN'S CAVALRY.

Canby's brigade of Sheridan's cavalry passed through the city yesterday, and camped just outside of the eastern suburbs of the city, preparatory to the grand review of to-morrow. They attracted general attention and were several hours in passing a given point.

SECRETARY SEWARD.

The Secretary of State was at the State Department again this morning for a short time attending to official duties.

Mr. Frederick Seward continues to improve and is now able to read the leading papers.

MRS. LINCOLN.

Mrs. Lincoln has decided upon leaving Washington this afternoon at 6 o'clock for her home in Springfield, Ill. She will be accompanied by Capt. Robert Lincoln, Master Tailor Lincoln, and others.

It is now claimed that Jeff. Davis was captured in Texas instead of North Carolina. That is to say, he was found in Galveston.

GOVERNMENT STAMPS.

Major General Bartlett, commanding the Military Division of the Potomac, in an order dated at Port Tobacco, on the 15th inst., has ordered that merchants, who have been captured by the Federal authorities, have their stocks will be confiscated for the use of the Government.

All the papers and other documents comprising the mortality rolls of the Surgeon General of the Confederate States, were abandoned by Dr. Moore at Charlotte, North Carolina, and were captured by the Federal authorities. They have been sent on to the War Department.

The New York Express says it is understood that Baltimoreans are raising a fund for presentation to General Lee; \$10,000 has already been secured, with the promise of \$50,000 additional.

PERSONAL.—Governor Fenton reached the city this morning and is stopping with Colonel Goodrich, No. 3 1/2 street.

A deputation of the citizens of Staunton, Va., has arrived in Richmond to confer with the authorities upon the subject of reorganizing the State Government.

MAYOR'S OFFICE.

The Mayor of Washington, D. C., May 22, 1865. The Mayor of the City Hall, for the transaction of business, will be closed at 10 o'clock.

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TELEGRAPHIC NEWS.

ASSASSINATION OF THE REBEL GENERAL KIRBY SMITH.

NEW ORLEANS, May 15, via CAIRO, May 21. The True Delta yesterday published a report that Kirby Smith had been assassinated by Major McKee, with whom he had a difficulty growing out of a cotton speculation. The Delta this evening says the report is confirmed by rebel soldiers from Jackson.

The telegraph between New Orleans and New York will be completed in three or four days, the only gap being between Montgomery and Opelousas.

The direct mail from Mobile to New York will leave to day, on the steamer Rhode Island.

General Herron has occupied Clinton and Oxyria, and was rebuilding the telegraph to Clinton, from whence the rebels have a line working north almost to our line. The most good feeling is exhibited throughout Eastern Louisiana. The people are overjoyed at the termination of the war.

HIGHLY IMPORTANT FROM GEORGIA.

Capture of Cotton, Ordnance and \$145,000 of Jeff. Davis' Specie.

NEW YORK, May 22.—The Herald's Augusta correspondent says that nearly one hundred thousand bales of cotton were captured at Augusta, Georgia, between New Orleans and New York, and forty-five thousand dollars in bullion.

A car on one of the side tracks was secured. It contained \$150,000 of gold, which the correspondent adds it is not known what became of it.

CAPITOL AND CAPITOL GROUNDS TO BE CLOSED.

On TUESDAY, and WEDNESDAY, 21th, the Capitol and Capitol Grounds will be closed.

The Capitol, in consequence of the war now in progress, and the fact that the grounds are so crowded with the trees and shrubbery in the grounds would be ruined were the grounds kept open.

DEPARTMENT OF METROPOLITAN POLICE.

OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT, 123 10TH STREET, WASHINGTON, May 20, 1865.

Notice is hereby given that all places where liquor is sold, and all places where gaming is kept, are hereby ordered to close on MONDAY, the 22nd instant, at 4 o'clock p. m., and remain closed until 4 o'clock p. m. on TUESDAY, the 23rd instant.

The Sergeant of the several precincts will immediately report to this office any public place, where liquor is sold, or gaming is kept, or where any other violation of the law is committed, and a SUMMARY remedy may be applied.

NORTHWESTERN SANITARY FAIR AT CHICAGO.

The Sanitary Fair, which has been organized to solicit contributions for the above-named cause, which opens on the 30th of this month, will state at any time for Washington and articles for sale, which may be left with W. M. H. HUSTON, No. 34 Market Space, my 22-2t

ATTENTION, SEVENTH WARD.

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